THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

21 NOV. 1961 TOP SECRET

1. Indian-Chinese Communist Border Dispute

Nehru's disclosure of more Chinese incursions during the past 18 months will increase pressure on his government to strengthen military forces on the border. With national elections due next February, the Indians may put on a show of strength at the frontier even though this could well lead to further clashes with Chinese border units.

Soviet officials continue to view Chinese bull-headedness on this issue as a grave error which is driving Nehru into the arms of the West.

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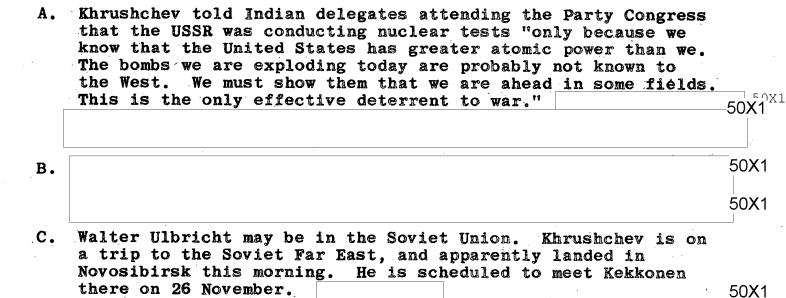
2. France-Algeria

De Gaulle is reported preparing to address a meeting in Strasbourg on 24 November of some 2500 officers of all services, including representatives from all owerseas bases. His purpose is not clear but he may be contemplating some decisive move in the Algerian situation and/or against the OAS, and may wish personally to lay down the law to the armed forces. OAS sympathizers are known to be apprehensive.

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- D. Reporting on the Dominican situation indicates that it is calming down, although Consul General Hill sees a faint possibility of an attempt by some military interests in the north to upset Balaguer's regime by force.
- E. The Greek Foreign Minister has a "feeling" that something "drastic" will be engineered by Yugoslavia "very soon" against the Albanian regime. Ambassador Kennan doubts the Yugoslavs have either the capability or intention for such an intrigue.

